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Operational activities for development

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2001, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled:

"Operational activities for development:

"(a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

"(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 14th to 16th, 22nd and 38th to 40th meetings, on 25 and 26 October, 5 November and 10 to 12 December 2001. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/56/SR.14-16, 22 and 38-40). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 8th meetings, from 1 to 3 October (see A/C.2/56/SR.3-8). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be given in the addenda to the present report, as follows:

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* The report of the Committee on this item will be issued in three parts, under the symbol A/56/562 and Add.1 and 2.

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3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council (A/56/3)[1]

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (A/56/174)

Letter dated 7 September 2001 from the Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/56/358 and Corr.1)

Letter dated 21 November 2001 from the Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Declaration adopted by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 at their twenty-fifth annual meeting, held at United Nations Headquarters on 16 November 2001 (A/56/647)

Letter dated 26 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the statement of the Emir of Qatar at the opening of the thirtieth ordinary session of the Al-Shourah Council of Qatar, held in Doha on 19 November 2001 (A/56/649-E/2001/1111)

(a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Report of the Secretary-General on operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation: progress in the implementation of the multi-year funding frameworks and evaluation of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (A/56/70-E/2001/58)

Report of the Secretary-General of comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for 1999 (A/56/70/Add.1-E/2001/58/Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for 2000 (A/56/70/Add.2-E/2001/58/Add.2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities of the United Nations system for development (A/56/320)

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial policy review of operational activities undertaken by the United Nations system for development: analysis of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 53/192 (A/56/320/Add.1)

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries at its twelfth session (A/56/39)[2]

Report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community (A/56/134)

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[1] To be issued as *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/56/3).

[2] Ibid., Supplement No. 39.

Report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: action taken by the United Nations system (A/56/134/Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the state of South-South cooperation (A/56/465)

4. At the 14th meeting, on 25 October, introductory statements were made by the Assistant Secretary-General of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Special Unit for Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, a representative of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (see A/C.2/56/SR.14).

II. Draft decision proposed by the Chairman

5. At its 40th meeting, on 12 December, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the note by the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (see A/56/174) (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

6. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Report on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women

The General Assembly takes note of the note by the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women.[3]

[3] A/56/174.